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Applicants disclose the documents listed in the attached form PTO-1449, copies of which are enclosed. Of note, an office action dated January 22, 2008, issued in corresponding Japanese Application 2003-042417, lists all of the disclosed documents. Foreign language documents AB has a partial translation. Foreign language document AC is in the same patent family as document AA.

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